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CROPS IN GENERAL.

ALSACE-LORRAINE.

Cultivated Area before and during the War.

	Average, 1910-1913.	Average, 1915-1918.
	<u>Acres.</u>	<u>Acres.</u>
Plow land, gardens and orchards	1,476,000	1,107,000
Meadows	413,000	455,000
Pastures	56,000	59,000
Vineyards	72,000	64,000
Pastures on fallow land .	17,000	18,000
Fallow land	74,000	119,000
Total	2,108,000	1,822,000

Area and Production of the Principal Crops before and
during the War.

Crop.	AREA. <u>1</u>		PRODUCTION.	
	1910-13.	1915-18.	1910-13.	1915-18.
	<u>Acres.</u>	<u>Acres.</u>	<u>Bushels.</u>	<u>Bushels.</u>
Wheat	316,000	218,000	7,351,000	3,542,000
Rye	124,000	84,000	3,096,000	1,452,000
Barley	118,000	96,000	4,429,000	2,343,000
Oats	271,000	202,000	12,283,000	5,856,000
Potatoes	214,000	144,000	33,524,000	20,856,000
			<u>Short tons.</u>	<u>Short tons.</u>
Clover	94,000	111,000	224,000	257,000
Alfalfa	67,000	65,000	181,000	155,000

1 Excluding territory occupied by troops.

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ALSACE-LORRAINE. -CONT'D.

Average Yield per Acre of Cereals and
Potatoes, in Bushels.

Crop.	1913.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.
Winter wheat .	25.9	18.4	15.2	14.3	15.9
Spring wheat .	23.9	16.6	14.7	13.7	14.0
Winter rye ...	26.8	19.8	15.6	15.6	17.2
Spring rye ...	24.1	16.6	14.5	15.3	15.3
Barley	41.1	27.1	26.9	24.2	21.4
Oats	51.9	24.0	37.9	33.2	22.9
Potatoes	207.7	166.8	106.9	162.4	110.8

Area and Production of the Principal Crops in
1918.

(1917 figures given in brackets)

Area, in acres

Wheat 187,000 (177,000); rye 68,000 (65,000); barley 83,000 (88,000); oats 176,000 (183,000); potatoes 109,000 (107,000); sugarbeets 1,337 (1,263); mangolds 73,000 (68,000); hops 5,000 (6,000); clover 137,000 (115,000); alfalfa 62,000 (62,000); irrigated meadows 70,000 (71,000); unirrigated meadows 435,000 (370,000).

Production.

Wheat 2,952,000 bushels (2,521,000); rye 1,165,000 bushels (1,019,000); barley 1,762,000 bushels (2,112,000); oats 4,056,000 bushels (3,077,000); potatoes 12,044,000 bushels (17,315,000); hops 525,000 pounds (5,291,000); sugarbeets 11,000 short tons (16,000); mangolds 742,000 tons (1,124,000); clover 275,000 tons (291,000); alfalfa 113,000 tons (158,000); hay from irrigated meadows 147,000 tons (165,000); hay from unirrigated meadows 769,000 tons (753,000).

(Bureau of Statistics of Alsace-Lorraine.)

AUSTRALIA.

Area and Production of Principal Crops Other than
Cereals in 1917-18.

(1916-17 figures are given in brackets)

Area, in acres.

Beans 1,978 (735); peas 41,413 (31,658); potatoes 136,241 (149,895); sweet potatoes 2,596 (1,974); mangolds 1,442 (1,952); sugarbeets 1,201 (1,320); turnips 3,512 (3,630); onions 5,747 (7,059); pumpkins and melons 13,706 (18,773); hops 1,296 (1,331); tobacco 1,162 (1,342); broom millet 3,781 (3,931); flax 423 (443); hay 2,212,914 (2,671,862); grass seed 11,980 (5,247).

Production.

Beans 42,675 bushels (19,281); peas 701,404 bushels (567,061); potatoes 12,969,413 bushels (13,328,075); sweet potatoes 520,000 bushels (312,785); mangolds 16,679 short tons (23,566) sugarbeets 16,228 tons (16,978); turnips 18,145 tons (18,393); onions 988,000 bushels (1,258,291); pumpkins and melons 66,151 tons (71,781); hops 2,103,136 pounds (1,752,240); tobacco 1 399,840 pounds (381,024); broom millet grain 31,061 bushels (17,194); broom millet fiber 1,733,088 pounds (1,828,064); flaxseed 2,712 bushels (2,962); flax fiber 103,600 pounds (153,552); hay 3,050,792 tons (3,928,500); grass seed 267,148 bushels (62,804).

1 1917-18 figures do not include those for Victoria.

(Bureau of Statistics of Australia.)

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BELGIUM.

Condition of Crops during December, 1919.

Wheat seeding was generally below normal, owing to unfavorable weather. Winter barley is doing well and vegetation looks good. Winter work is proceeding but operations are difficult owing to the dampness of the soil.

(The London Grain, Seed and Oil Reporter.)

FRANCE.

Area and Condition of Fall Cereals on January 1, 1920.

(Corresponding figures for last year given in brackets.)

Area, in acres: Wheat 11,369,000 (11,087,000); maslin 229,000 (204,000); rye 1,959,000 (1,814,000); barley 346,000 (256,000); oats 1,833,000 (1,652,000).

Condition - 100 = very good, 80 = good, 60 = fairly good: Wheat 68 (71); maslin 69 (72); rye 69 (73); barley 68 (72); oats 60 (72).

(Le Bulletin des Halles.)

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WHEAT.

CANADA (ONTARIO).

Fall wheat is still well protected by snow and growers are so far optimistic regarding the prospects of the crop.

(Ontario Department of Agriculture)

BRITISH INDIA.

Preliminary estimates of the 1919-20 wheat crop give the area and condition as follows:

Northwest Frontier Province 905,000 acres, condition average.

Bengal 116,000 acres, condition fair.

United Provinces 6,500,000 acres, germination good.

Punjab 9,372,000 acres, condition good on irrigated lands and average on unirrigated.

Total for the above Provinces 16,892,000 acres against 14,397,000 acres at the corresponding period of 1918-19.

(The London Grain, Seed and Oil Reporter.)

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RICE.

INDO-CHINA.

The embargo on the export of rice from Saigon has been lifted by the Government of Indo-China as from December 15, but the earlier shipments of the new crop are almost entirely for Europe and the East Indies, the Dutch Government being the heaviest buyer so far. The new crop is highly satisfactory.

SIAM.

The crop in Siam will not be above 75 per cent of normal.

CHINA.

The rice situation in South China has improved somewhat by the good crops in Kwangtung Province.

(Consul-General George E. Andersen, Hongkong, December 15, 1919). -Commerce Reports.

RICE.-CONT'D.

ECUADOR.

The rice crop is smaller than usual.
(Consul General Frederic W. Goding, Guayaquil, December
19, 1919)

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BARLEY.

EGYPT.

	<u>1918.</u>	<u>1917.</u>
Area, acres	336,000	445,000
Production, bushels	9,161,000	12,620,000
Consumption, bushels	8,860,000	12,645,000

(Department of Statistics of Egypt)

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BEANS.

EGYPT.

	<u>1918.</u>	<u>1917.</u>
Area, acres	494,000	490,000
Production, bushels	12,816,000	12,176,000
Consumption, bushels	11,417,000	10,764,000

(Department of Statistics of Egypt)

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SUGAR.

AUSTRALIA.

Area under Cane and Production of Cane and Sugar
in 1917-18.

(1916-17 figures given in brackets)

Area: 114,000 acres (81,000). Production: Cane 3,225,000
short tons (1,930,000); sugar 367,000 tons (216,000).

(Bureau of Statistics of Australia)

CANADA (PROVINCE OF ONTARIO).

The area under sugarbeets for 1919 is estimated at 19,000 acres
against 18,000 acres in 1918, and the production at 178,000 short tons
in 1919 against 195,000 tons in 1918.

(Bureau of Statistics of Canada)

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OLIVES.

GREECE.

The olive crop is reported to be estimated at 30 per cent below
that of 1919. Indications are that the olive production in the Greek
Islands will fall below that of 1918. (Commerce Reports)

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GRAPES AND WINE.

AUSTRALIA.

Area of Vineyards and Production of Grapes,
Wine, and Raisins in 1917-18.

(1916-17 figures given in brackets)

Area (productive) of vineyards: 53,804 acres (52,773).

Production: Grapes for table use 6,817 short tons (9,168);
grapes for wine 51,023 tons (39,682); grapes for raisins and currants
54,369 tons (61,732); wine 8,240,000 U. S. gallons (6,153,000); raisins
and currants 14,610 tons (17,073).

(Bureau of Statistics of Australia)

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RAISINS, FIGS, AND LICORICE ROOT.

TURKEY (SMYRNA).

The production of raisins and figs will be only 25 per cent of
the usual crop. The crop of licorice root will be at best only about
5 to 10 per cent of usual. The neglect of the vineyards and orchards
will cause next year's crop to be seriously injured. (Commerce Reports).

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FRUIT.

FINLAND.

The annual production of fruit is approximately estimated as
follows, in pounds:

Apples 7,700,000, pears 352,000, plums 330,000, cherries 220,000,
currants 3,300,000, strawberries 220,000, gooseberries 176,000, rasp-
berries 88,000.

(Consular Assistant F. Le Roy Spangler, Helsingfors, December
30, 1919) - Commerce Reports.

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PEANUTS.

CHINA.

It is difficult to obtain estimates of the peanut crop. It
seems to be the agreed opinion, however, that for the whole of China
the quantity of the 1919 crop will be the same as in 1918, but the
quality will be below that of the 1918 crop. Eventually, it is con-
cluded, there will be approximately 33,000 tons of average nuts
available, although at present there are no stocks available at
Hankow or Tientsin and a very small stock at Shanghai.

(American Consulate General, Shanghai, January 29, 1920) - Commerce
Reports.

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COTTON.

ECUADOR.

This year's cotton crop is the largest in the history and the
fiber is considered of good quality.

(Consul General Frederic W. Goding, Guayaquil, December 19,
1919)

EGYPT.

The area under cotton in 1919 is estimated at 1,633,000 acres
against 1,366,000 acres in 1918 and 1,741,000 acres in 1917.

(Department of Statistics of Egypt.)

KONGO, BELGIAN.

The area under cotton for 1919-20 is estimated at 13,000 acres
and the production at about 4,900 bales of 478 pounds.

(Commerce Reports)

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TOBACCO.

CANADA.

Area and Production of Tobacco in Quebec
and Ontario.
Area, Acres.

	<u>1919.</u>	<u>1918.</u>	<u>1917.</u>
Quebec	22,360	6,903	5,000
Ontario	<u>9,226</u>	<u>6,500</u>	<u>2,930</u>
Total	31,586	13,403	7,930

Production, pounds.

Quebec	16,770,000	7,732,000	5,000,000
Ontario	<u>10,609,400</u>	<u>6,500,000</u>	<u>3,495,000</u>
Total	27,379,400	14,232,000	8,495,000

(Bureau of Statistics of Canada)

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LIVE STOCK.

ALSACE-LORRAINE.

The figures for 1918 show that, with the exception of goats, all classes of live stock decreased considerably since 1912. The per cent of decrease is as follows: Horses 36.5, cattle 17.3, sheep 12.0, swine 38.5, geese and ducks 14.1, chickens 36.9. Goats increased by 84.5 per cent.

The number of live stock at the beginning of December of 1918 and 1917 is as follows (1917 figures given in brackets): Horses 70,475 (67,139); cattle 393,205 (444,957); dairy cows 221,201 (231,894); sheep 37,460 (35,493); swine 246,958 (273,923); goats 121,340 (104,717); poultry 1,545,330 (1,647,723).

(Bureau of Statistics of Alsace-Lorraine)

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DAIRY PRODUCTS.

AUSTRALIA.

Production of Milk, Butter, Cheese, Bacon and
Hams.

	<u>1917-18.</u>	<u>1916-17.</u>
	<u>Gallons.</u>	<u>Gallons.</u>
Milk produced for all purposes	729,017,000	659,787,000
Milk used for butter	544,660,000	500,697,000
Milk used for cheese	32,073,000	30,435,000
Milk used for condensing and concen- trating	20,744,000	17,460,000
Milk used for other purposes	131,540,000	111,195,000
	<u>Pounds.</u>	<u>Pounds.</u>
Butter produced (factory and farm) ...	200,497,000	182,471,000
Cheese produced (" " ") ...	27,431,000	25,409,000
Condensed and powdered milk produced .	56,188,000	45,695,000
Bacon and hams (factory and farm)	64,911,000	51,375,000

(Bureau of Statistics of Australia)

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WOOL.

CANADA.

The annual production of wool is estimated roughly at 20,000,000 pounds for 1919 and 1918, respectively, and at 12,000,000 pounds for 1917, 1916, and 1915, respectively.

(Bureau of Statistics of Canada)

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